

BARROWBY NEWS

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BARROWBY VILLAGE NEWS AND INFORMATION

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Boost for Canal Funds

Training for our volunteers has recently received a huge boost, with an award of £3000 from Lloyd's Bank Community Fund (see picture)!

With the formation of the Canal & River Trust, to look after 2000 miles of inland waterways, the emphasis is increasingly towards volunteer input to maintain and restore our heritage.

The Grantham Canal Society, with over 40 years of expertise, is well placed to embark on this exciting new era. Our volunteer workforce is currently being expanded in order to fulfil these new and varied opportunities.

Volunteering takes on many forms: practical work, boat operations and administration, through to professionals working in an advisory capacity.

Our boat crews are already preparing for another busy cruising season, which begins on 1st April this year.

Bookings are now being taken – charter the boat for your family outing, birthday or anniversary and enjoy a cruise along the canal.



Refreshments are served during your cruise – you may also wish bring along your own food hamper, and perhaps a bottle of your preferred 'nectar'. Relax & enjoy!

Trips of 2, 3 or 4 hours can be arranged, with the latter allowing for an extended break at Harlaxton Wharf, either for a picnic, or to visit The Gregory Arms.

For more information telephone 01949 850999 or visit: www.granthamcanal.org where you can request our free email newsletter 'Bridge'.

To become involved as a volunteer in this worthwhile project, email: communityandevents@granthamcanal.org

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**Barrowby News Newsletter AGM:
Monday 10th March 7.30pm**

Want to become involved? Have views or news? Call Brian on 07793 198948 for details.

**Indoor Market:
Saturday March 8th 10am-2pm - Memorial Hall**

Early gifts for Easter! To book your table or your space, call 01476 567360.
Note that set-up will be from 9.00 a.m.

What know you of Newbo?

By Barrovian



Did you know that Barrowby had its own Abbey? Hearsay sometimes suggests that there was some sort of monastic house in the village near the church. There is no evidence for that but there was nevertheless an Abbey in the parish.

Look at an Ordnance Survey map and you can find Abbey Farm just on the fringe of Sedgebrook.

The parish boundary is just to the east of this and here stood Newbo Abbey up until the Dissolution of the Monasteries in 1536. Mind you if the word Abbey conjures up something as imposing as Fountains then think again.

Newbo Abbey was never a large complex, perhaps housing twenty or so at the most. Also there were no monks at Newbo. It was a Premonstratensian house (named after Prémontré in France).

The Abbey was home to White Canons; canons differ from monks as they work and preach out in the community.

Newbo was founded in 1198 by Richard de Malebisse who was one of the ringleaders involved in inciting anti-Jewish riots in York that led to a massacre. Founding the Abbey may have been an act of contrition.

Newbo seems to have had a rather colourful history as a religious house. Records from the time show the Abbey was frequently late in paying rent and had problems attracting and retaining Canons. Discipline also seems to have been a problem.

The Abbey was subject to periodic visitations by its parent organisation. In 1482 a ruling was made that all hunting dogs were to be expelled from the Abbey "on pain of excommunication". In 1497 the visitation resulted in

banning all games played for money. Such secular diversions hardly fit our image of the pious monk.

In the 1890's there was a lively debate in the letters page of the Grantham Journal over the true location of the Abbey. George Sills, who was both a barrister and a farmer living at Casthorpe, argued that the Abbey was based there and not near Sedgebrook.

There are fragmentary records of some form of religious site at Casthorpe and it may be that there was a chapel there but the weight of evidence does show that the Abbey was just to the north of the A52 before you reach Sedgebrook.

It is possible that in addition to the Abbey there was a hamlet of Newbo. Both are however long gone.

DIARY DATES

- Mar 2nd: Quiz at The White Swan, 8.30pm
- Mar 3rd: Parish Council, 6.15pm open session
- Mar 5th: Pavilion Committee, 7.30pm
- Mar 8th: Indoor Market, Memorial Hall, 10am-2pm
- Mar 10th: Newsletter AGM, 7.30pm
- Mar 11th: Memorial Hall meeting, 7.30pm open session
- Mar 13th: Folk at The White Swan, 8.30pm
- Mar 19th: W.I., Memorial Hall, 7pm

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Around the Parish



Your Memorial Hall Still Needs You!

The Memorial Hall is still looking for a cleaner, to start in April, with a wage of £7 per hour for up to 11 hours each 4 week period. This means 2 hours a week plus 3 extra hours for any additional work. Although we have had some contact from interested parties, if anyone else is interested in the role, please call Tim on 01476 567360. We would also love to welcome more people to join our committee. We still require a secretary whose role is mainly for minutes taking at committee meetings. There is a small annual payment plus expenses. For more information please contact Tim on the same number as above.

Can you help out at Rainbows?

We currently have a joint Rainbow and Brownie group in Barrowby which has grown in popularity over the last year. We now have over 30 girls attending and a substantial waiting list. Due to this we are looking at splitting the groups but to do this we require volunteers to come forward to help run the units especially Rainbows. If anyone is interested in offering their help of a couple of hours a week please contact Alison Charity on 07917583512 who will be happy to discuss what the role involves.

Barrowby Gardeners' Association shop re-opens in March

Would you like some Spring window-sill salad leaves? Buy some of our discounted radish seeds, sprinkle them on the top of damp compost, place in a warm, light place and keep them damp. You can then cut the sprouting leaves for a fresh salad bite. The shop is now open every Saturday for the new season from 10 – 12. So pop down to the allotments, found on the right at the end of The Drift, for a coffee and a chat. New members very welcome

W.I.: March meeting

The speaker at the March meeting of the Barrowby W.I. will be talking about 'Doddington Hall and Conservation'. There will also be a Bring and Buy stall plus all the usual social aspects. Interested visitors are welcome to attend at the Memorial Hall at 7pm Wednesday 19th March.

Scouts

As part of the Community Challenge Badge, we are currently discussing our Climate Week 3-9 March 2014 efforts such as walking to School instead of taking the car, turning off lights, and, also considering our plans for Scout Community Week 2-8 June 2014. We may carry out a litter pick as last year, so look out for us around the village later in the year. We still have places available for new members to come along and join us for a taster session to see what we do. Please call Sara on 07803 936455 or e-mail us news@barrowby.org.uk and we will pass the e-mail on.

Burns Night Success

About 55 people attended the annual Burns Night celebration led by Charlie Charlton and his band 'Charlie's Ant' at the Memorial Hall.

The haggis, carried in by Jackie Brooks (pictured), was piped around the room then Charlie gave the 'address' to the Haggis in his very enthusiastic Irish-Scottish accent. We sat down to the traditional haggis, neaps and tatties prepared by several volunteers followed by some tasty puddings. Simon Brodie gave The Immortal Memory of Roberts Burns followed by a toast to the lassies.

The band then led some traditional Scottish dancing which most of those present were involved in and which helped to digest the food (and beers) just eaten! An enjoyable evening was had by all as Charlie used his skill as caller to ensure the dancers knew their moves as he named the different tunes the band were to play.



All Saints' Church

Sunday 2nd March

8.00am Holy Communion
9.00am Prayer for healing
9.30am Morning Prayer and
Sunday Clubs

Sunday 9th March

8.00am Morning Prayer
10.30am Holy Communion and
Sunday Clubs

Sunday 16th March

8.00am Holy Communion
9.30am Families Service

Sunday 23rd March

8.00am Morning Prayer
10.30am Morning Prayer and
children's handbells

Sunday 30th March

Mothering Sunday

8.00am Morning Prayer
9.30am Families Service

For more information, or if you need a
lift to any service, just ask.

Rev Peter Hopkins

01476 565737

Barrowby Baptist Fellowship

We meet in the Memorial Hall.
All welcome.

Sunday 10.15:

Worship and Sunday School

Monday 10.00:

Cane and Able Coffee Morning

John 01400 250475 or Veronica
593317

Friday 6.30:

Fantastic Friday Youth Group

Phil 562856

Get in Touch

Deadlines for forthcoming issues:

March 7th

April 8th

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Barrowby Great War Memories

As we all know, this year marks the centenary of the beginning of the First World War. War with Germany was declared on 4th August 1914. We would like to mark our own village memories of this time, so if any of you have any family mementos, memories, photographs, etc. that you would be happy to share with the village as part of the commemoration, please contact us at news@barrowby.org.uk

Defibrillator Update

The Parish Council has met with two potential providers with the view to installing three public access defibrillators in the village. The two identified sites are the Reading Room and the Pavilion on the Lowfields. A third site is being considered in the Reedings Road/Hedgefield Road area. The defibrillators would be placed in a cabinet on an external wall/easily accessible site, in a prominent position so they can be located once a 999 call has been made. Training is seen as a key part of this project so that residents would feel confident in using the defibrillator. The Parish Council are investigating potential fund providers to support the cost of the project. Please contact Verity Cross at veecross@hotmail.co.uk or call 07974598946 if you are interested in taking part in the project.



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